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1. The Burma Chinese Teachers Union, an organization controlled by the China Democratic League (Burma) (CDL(B)), began a series of summer classes for Chinese teachers on 17 April 1951*. About 50 teachers are attending.
2. At the opening session, HSIAO Wei-mei** (蕭維梅), principal of the CDL-controlled York Sin Chinese School, called for diligent application from those present to ensure success for the course and adoption of the new method of teaching in their various schools upon completion. HSIAO explained the classes had been specially organized by the Committee of the All Burma Chinese Teachers Union to standardize educational methods in all Chinese Schools in Burma. He also appealed to teachers to intensify all anti-American movements among students.
3. The Burma Chinese Students Union, also CDL-sponsored, has started its own summer classes, at which attendance is approximately 200.*** WU Ming, President of the Irrawaddy Choir, addressed this class on 14 April. His subject was "The Present World Situation and New China." Other summer classes are being run along similar lines by the Bassett Branch of the Burma Chinese Students Union.

25X1A * Comment. The summer classes for teachers are evidently a further step in the campaign of the CDL(B) to ensure that instructional methods approved by the China Peoples Government are used in local Chinese schools. An independent report states that HSIAO Kang, Second Secretary of the Chinese Embassy, has been instructed to get in touch with all local Chinese schools to persuade them to use the text books authorized by Peiping.

25X1A [REDACTED] Comment. Presumably these summer classes are held in Rangoon.

25X1A **** [REDACTED] Comment.** HSTAO Wei-mei is a member of the Executive Committee of the CD1(B).

25X1A *** [REDACTED] Comment. These Students Union summer classes appear to have a different purpose and are probably nothing more than political indoctrination classes.

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